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A NEW LAND SHELL FROM CLARION ISLAND.

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Succinea Megregori n. sp.

Shell ovate, thin, red-amber colored, irregularly wrinkled-striate, composed of $3\frac{1}{2}$ very convex whorls separated by deeply impressed sutures. Aperture two-thirds the length of the shell, regularly ovate, oblique, its width contained $1\frac{1}{2}$ times in its length; columella arcuate, its edge thread-like above.

Alt. $13\frac{1}{2}$, diam. 8, length of aperture 9 mm.

Alt. $12\frac{1}{2}$, diam. 7, length of aperture $8\frac{1}{2}$ mm.

Clarion Island, collected by Mr. R. C. McGregor, in whose honor the species is named.

This species closely resembles *S. Donneti* Pfr. from Chili in form, but differs in color, the Chilian species being pale yellowish corneous. It has the deep reddish hue of many Hawaiian Succineas, such as *S. canella* Gld., or the Japanese group to which *S. lauta* belongs. *S. Oregonensis* Lea is decidedly shorter and not of so dark a color.

At my request Mr. McGregor furnished the following notes on Clarion Island:

"Clarion Island is some three hundred miles southwest of Cape San Lucas. The sandy beaches are covered with broken coral. Back of the beach where we landed is level ground for a quarter of a mile, covered in places with cacti and vines (*Ipomœa cathartica* Poir., *Phaseolus atropurpureus* D. C. and *Sophora tomentosa* L.). The troublesome bush, *Caesalpinia Bonducella* Roxb., with its sharp, curved spines, abounds on the hillsides and the flats. The interior of the island rises in more or less rough hills. There are quite a number of elevated flats or plateaux covered with a tangle of vines, grasses and shrubs. Among the last are *Euphorbia Clarionensis* Brandegee and *E. Californica* Benth., on the stems of which was found the only land shell. This mollusk closely resembles the bark of these plants, and was very abundant. One might collect twenty or thirty specimens from a single plant.

"Clarion Island is decidedly tropical, though it includes in its fauna insular forms of birds of such temperate zone genera as *Speotyto*, *Zenaidura* and *Troglodytes*. There are no mammals on the island. Lizards and several species of snakes were captured."